

OHR SRT News Summary, 19 November 1998

Headlines

- Representatives of the RS and FRY Governments talked in Belgrade
- The RS Government decided: no increase in the price of electricity
- The RS President Nikola Poplasen visited Rogatica, Rudo and Milici

A three-strong RS Government delegation headed by the PM Milorad Dodik met with unnamed FRY Government officials in Belgrade today to discuss the financial and monetary problems caused by the cessation of payment operations. The talks are to continue tomorrow.

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The RS PM Milorad Dodik scheduled the 34th RS Government session for tomorrow. Drafts of the Amendments to the Law on Housing Relations and the cessation of the Law on Abandoned Property are on the agenda, as well as the decision on establishing an operational group for privatisation in Brcko. The Government's consent for the increase in the price of electricity was cancelled, due to the difficult social situation.

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The RS President Nikola Poplasen and the vice-president Mirko Sarovic visited the municipalities of the Central Podrinje region today.

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The RS President and vice-president visited the town of Milici today, in a very tense atmosphere, due to a gathering of

supporters of the dissolved Commissariat for Milici and the supporters of the newly elected municipal officials in the town centre. Poplasen had earlier dissolved the Commissariat, formerly set up by Biljana Plavsic, explaining this was the “expressed will of the people”.

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The ‘Sloga’ Coalition parties sent a letter to President Poplasen criticising his choice of PM designate.

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Judges of the Constitutional Courts of the RS, FBiH and BiH participated in the seminar on interpretation and implementation of international standards by the Constitutional Courts, organised by the European Commission.

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The exhumation of 13 bodies took place in Modrica today. Commissions from the Serb, Croat and Bosniac side participated.

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Health-care institutions in Banja Luka and Srbinje received a Japanese Government donation in equipment and vehicles, worth over 13.5 million dollars.

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Kosovo-related news

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At today’s press conference in Sarajevo, the OHR Spokesman Rida Attarashany said the HR Carlos Westendorp will submit a detailed analysis of the implementation of the DA to the Peace Implementation Council before the Madrid conference. The HR will propose reforms in the judicial system, media and economy, supporting the return of refugees and increase in foreign investments.

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